

Pacific Smelting Gives Science Scholarship

Pacific Smelting Co., 22219 S. Western ave., Torrance has established a scholarship to encourage the interest of Torrance boys in science and engineering. The altruistic, local, industrial firm awards the scholarship each year to a boy about to be graduated from a Torrance high school. The recipient must be planning a career in science or engineering. Selection of the student who receives the award is made only after a personal interview with each applicant by officials of the company. The award amounts to \$500 a year for five years.

Zinc Produced
Pacific Smelting Co. is one of the largest zinc processing plants in the country. Its products include all grades of slab zinc metal for the galvanizing trade and steel mills. The company also produces French process zinc oxide, zinc

dust and various types of zinc alloys. The slab is the basic metal in a hot dip galvanizing process used to protect steel from atmospheric corrosion. Typical end products of this process are galvanized water pipe, hot water heaters, chain link fences and corrugated roofing. For many years the company has been a major supplier of zinc slab and zinc alloys to the western steel mills, water heater manufacturers, hot dip galvanizers and brass foundries.

Adds Customers
The company has also added paint, rubber and ceramic industries to its list of customers. Operations are now conducted on a 24-hour a day basis, seven days a week. The physical plant occupies an area of nearly eight acres. Products are distributed by

rail, truck, and a considerable amount by water. Pacific Smelting was started in the early 30's and in 1943 was acquired by Jack and Maury Schwartz. Present officials of the firm include M. D. Schwartz, president; Allen Klatzker, executive vice president; Julian I. Schwartz, vice president; John O. Schwartz, vice president; Philip B. Shubb, secretary; and Mrs. Jack Schwartz, treasurer.

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tion of the field and appointed Jack R. Egan as Airport Manager. Bill Critchfield is the assistant manager. The municipally owned airport is completely self-supporting.

There are over 17 businesses and industries on the airport property. Hi-Shear Rivet Longren Aircraft, Transland Aircraft and Sheridan-Gray Corporations carry on important manufacturing of aircraft and aircraft parts, and experimentation.

Flying schools and charter services are offered by several concerns, Collins-Dietrich, Marks Aviation, Pilot's Inc. and Vegas Airways.

Aero Advertising, one of the newer businesses on the airport, does skywriting for advertising.

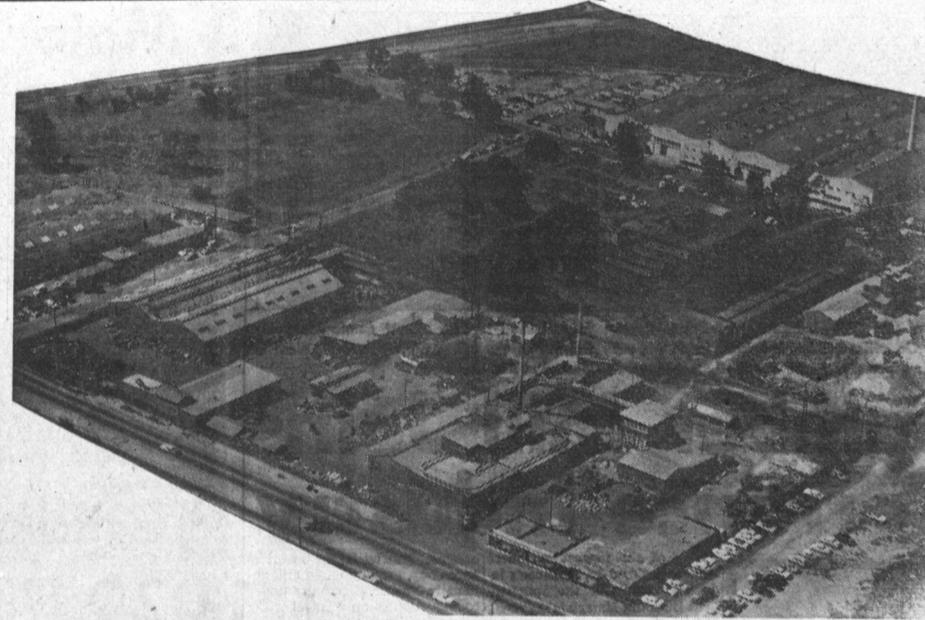
Helicopter Service
One of the latest and most unusual services offered at the airport is Jim Gavin's Mercury Helicopter Service. He and his helicopter are available for any training, helicopter service or, if you want to see Torrance from a Whirlybird, for scenic rides.

The airport is the tie-down place for nearly 300 privately-owned light planes. Many local executives, who use their business-owned aircraft to speed their transportation to and from branches, meetings and appointments, keep their aircraft at the Torrance Airport.

There are several repair and service companies located at the airport, Bellanca Service Western Aero, as well as sales and financing agents, Collins-Dietrich, Air Credit Sales and Siltm Kidwell.

Catalina Airlines makes a stop at Torrance Airport during the summer months to pick up passengers for the resort island.

Promising Future
The future looks bright for



AERIAL PHOTO—All grades of slab zinc metal for the galvanizing trade and steel mills are produced at Pacific Smelting Co., Inc., 22219 S. Western Ave. Aerial photo above shows the plant, which covers almost eight acres. The modern office building is shown at the lower center of the picture. Typical end products of the plant are galvanized water pipe, hot water heaters, chain link fences, and corrugated roofing.

Rome Cable Joins Alcoa

Affiliation of Rome Cable corporation with Aluminum Company of America was announced on January 22, and is another milestone in the successful history of Rome Cable Corporation. Under the same management as the present Rome Cable Corporation, the company will become Rome Cable Company, a division of ALCOA. Most of the wire and cable business of Aluminum Company of America will incorporate with Rome Cable's wire and cable business. The proposal will be submitted to the Rome stockholders for approval on March 25.

Rome Cable Corporation is one of the 10 largest electrical wire, cable and conduit producers in the United States. The corporation has plants located in Rome, N. Y., Torrance, Calif., and Collegetown, Pa. Rome Cable Corporation, formed in 1936, was a depression baby, born in the midst of the country's worst financial crisis. Rome Cable has grown consistently in spite of the retarded economy of the thirties and the high corporate tax levels of the forties and fifties. The home plant is located in Rome, New York, also widely known as "The Copper City." Rome's industry consumes over one-tenth of all copper used in the United States annually. Most of the men who originally founded the company are still actively associated with it. H. T. Dyett, the founder, is now chairman of the board. A. D. Ross Fraser, president for the last 15 years, was another of the original founders.

The Torrance plant, located at 1739 W. 213th St., was acquired by Rome Cable in 1950. The Torrance facility is engaged in the manufacture of thinwall and rigid steel conduit used for electrical raceways, and also produces mechanical steel tubing used for fabricating a variety of steel products.

Approximately 200 people are employed in the Torrance plant and office, and during 1958 the annual payroll was over one million dollars.

Glenn Koger, general manager of the Torrance Plant and a vice president of the corporation, joined Rome Cable in 1954 and has been very active in civic affairs in Torrance. He has recently completed a successful drive as campaign chairman for the Community Chest in the Harbor area.

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New Resuscitators Aid Fire Dept. in Speeding Rescues

During 1958 three resuscitators were added to the Torrance Fire Department's equipment. The life-saving equipment, placed in outlying fire stations, will speed the department's rescue service to victims of suffocating, asphyxiation, drowning and heart cases, reported R. R. Lucas, Battalion Chief and Fire Marshall.

The new machines were sent to Station 2, 242nd St. and Neece ave., Walteria; Station 3, 174th st. and Yukon ave., North Torrance; and Station 4, Calle Mayor and Pacific Coast hwy., in the Hollywood Riviera area.

When a call is received, the resuscitator is rushed to the person from the closest fire station. It is put to work immediately. Rescue Team 1 from the main station at Crenshaw blvd. and

Wilson voiced the hope that the terminal would be completed before the 1960 "Powder Puff Derby." Torrance Airport was recently named starting point for the 1960 All Women's Transcontinental Air Race more popularly known as the "Powder Puff Derby." The Derby is the most popular all women's race in the world. Approximately 130 women pilots enter the race annually.

Benstead Plunge Has Big Attendance

The Victor E. Benstead Plunge, in its third summer of operation, enjoyed its greatest attendance with 90,249 paid admissions. Special events at the Plunge during the year include the Showboat Revue, held during Rancho Days, and the closing summer swim program in late August. 2569 children and adults participated in the swim classes held at the Plunge during the summer months. Beginners' classes, swimmers' classes, skin diving, water ballet, diving, and life-saving classes were all conducted at the pool.

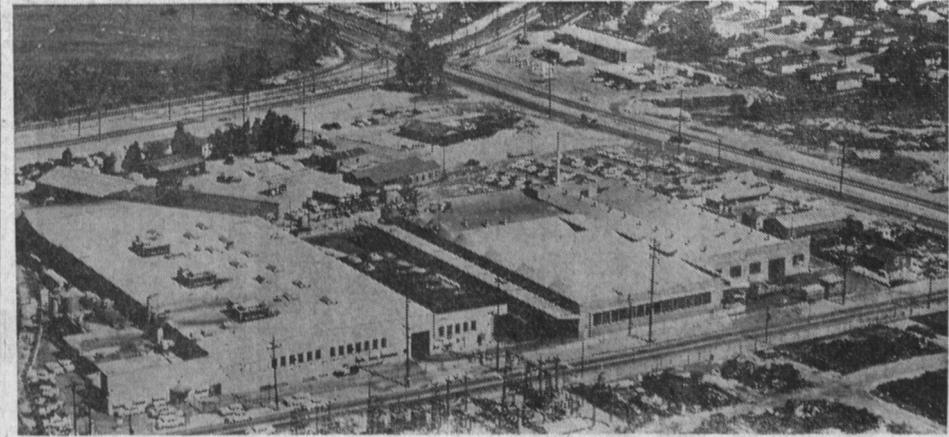
Inspection Added
Lucas added that another service initiated during 1958 is the department's new precautionary inspection program. Each station inspects all of the commercial and industrial buildings in its area to familiarize the firemen with the nature of the structure, the possible fire hazards, the nearest fire hydrants, the approaches to the plant and possible procedures in event of fire.

Five men have been added to the department's personnel, making a total of 83. In order to keep up with the

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growth of the city Fire Chief J. J. Benner recently asked that the city purchase another fire station site in West Torrance to protect that fast-growing residential area, and also the Del Amo Shopping Center.

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STEEL CONDUIT PRODUCER—Rome Cable's Torrance plant, above, produces thinwall and rigid steel conduit and mechanical steel tubing used for a variety of steel products. Rome Cable Corporation is one of the 10 largest electrical wire, cable and

conduit producers in the country. The local plant covers five acres and is planning to occupy another five acres which the company recently bought from the City of Torrance.

Magna Electronics Moves to Torrance

A manufacturer of combination stereo Hi-Fi sets, amplifiers, and guitars has recently moved to Torrance. It is Magna Electronics, Inc., and their new location is at 2133 Dominguez st.

The new 40,000 square foot facility has been designed to accommodate the latest and most modern manufacturing production methods.

F. Roy Chilton, President states that the new building has provided Magna with the additional space necessary to manufacture several new products as well as military orders. "Magna has enjoyed remarkable growth during the past two years. Although it has manufactured high quality guitars and amplifiers for over twelve years the complete re-design of the line with the addition of Magna's exclusive patented stereo vibrato, has made this expansion necessary," said Chilton.

Magna also entered the organ field a year ago with its tone cabinet line and recently added the combination stereo Hi-Fi tone cabinet combination which has been an immediate success and hailed by dealers throughout the country as a much needed addition to the music field.

Magna has recently introduced a new electric Bass guitar and will announce, soon, new electric Spanish guitar models. Another new product from Magna's engineering and production has been the sensational new "190-Professional" amplifier with the three-stage "trebleplus" exclusive with Magnatone.

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